

COLONEL JOSEPH BROWN.

MARCH 27, 1838.

Read, and laid on the table.

Mr. E. WHITTLESEY, from the Committee of Claims, made the following

REPORT :

*The Committee of Claims, in the case of Joseph Brown, report :*

That the House of Representatives, on the 19th of February, 1838, on motion of Mr. Shields, passed a resolution as follows :

“Resolved, That the Committee on Indian Affairs be instructed to inquire into the expediency of paying Colonel Joseph Brown the balance claimed by him to be due for the property lost in the Seminole campaign by the following persons, to wit : Hugh McBride, John Tussell, Jacob Ellison, Hugh Long, Daniel Ridge, John Stephens, James Taylor, Isaac Patterson, and Samuel Walker, and transferred by them to the said Joseph Brown, and now on the files of the House.”

The Committee on Indian Affairs were discharged from the further consideration of the resolution, and the same was referred to the Committee of Claims on the 13th of March, 1838.

The same case, with the same testimony, was presented to the House on the 20th of December, 1836, and, after an examination, the committee reported against the claim on the 22d of February, 1837.

This report, recorded in vol. 11, page 542, manuscript reports, is referred to, and made a part of this report.

This committee concur in that report, and in the resolution then submitted.

FEBRUARY 22, 1837.

*The Committee of Claims, instructed by a resolution of the House of Representatives on the 20th of December, 1836, to inquire into the expediency of paying to Colonel Joseph Brown the balance claimed by him to be due for the property lost in the Seminole campaign by the following persons, to wit : Hugh McBride, John Tussell, Jacob Ellison, Hugh Long, Daniel Ridge, John Stephens, James Taylor, Isaac Patterson, and Samuel Walker, and transferred by them to the said Joseph Brown, and now on file in the Third Auditor's office, report :*

That a letter was addressed by the committee to the Third Auditor, requesting him to transmit said claims to said committee, and also requesting such information as he could communicate on the subject of said claims. His answer, of the 26th of December, 1836, is received, and referred to; he states, the papers were all returned to Mr. Brown on the 3d of June, 1824,

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as appears by his letter of that date, and that they have not been returned to him since.

The claimant accompanied the resolution with a statement of remarks made at the Third Auditor's office in 1824.

It appears to the committee that the claimant should comply with the requirements of the Third Auditor before relief should be granted him. The following resolution is submitted :

*Resolved*, That the claimant is not entitled to relief.

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The Committee on Indian Affairs were discharged from the further consideration of the resolution, and the same was referred to the Committee of Claims on the 17th of March, 1835.

The same case, with the same testimony, was presented to the House on the 30th of December, 1836, and, after an examination, the committee reported against the claim on the 2nd of February, 1837.

This report, recorded in vol. 11, page 245, manuscript reports, is referred to, and made a part of this report.

The committee concur in that report, and in the resolution thereunto annexed.

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That a letter was addressed by the committee to the Third Auditor, requesting him to transmit to said committee, and also requesting each legislator as he could communicate on the subject of said claim. His answer, of the 25th of December, 1836, is received, and referred to; he states the report was all returned to Mr. Brown on the 3d of June, 1837.

THOMAS ADAMS, Clerk.